

City Manager "Endurance Capitol of the World"

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A couple of items moving into the Presidents Day Weekend:

- The City received 37 proposals for the "on call" request we sent for engineering, planning and building services. We will be reviewing these over the course of the next few weeks. We will break them down into subsets for each of the disciplines to maximize our flexibility in using the best firms for the right tasks.
- The City Council approved a budget calendar for the formation of the Fiscal Year 21-22. The Council talked about their emphyasis on transparency and gaining quality input into the process. Direction was given to add two workshops to outreach to the community at different times of the day. We will work on an interactive process to hopefully gain good input into the process.
- Staff met with the Economic Development Commission this week to discuss the development of an overall plan for moving forward in the current situation and post covid. The EDC is a really good group and we will be working over the course of the next month to identify key projects and tasks for implementation. Look for some really good stuff!
- Staff is working on an emergency legislation request from the League of California Cities regarding the "Bottle Bill." This Bill deals with the 5 cent "California Redemption Value" we all pay when we buy bottles and cans at the store. A key issue is that the buy back centers required for stores and the waste industry are rapidly closing leaving consumers with no place to redeem funds from their bottles and cans. This is a huge issue because it is a direct threat to all consumers.
- Staff had a really good call with the State Housing and Community Development Department regarding some grants and funding which have been allotted over the past year. We found that there is flexibility to delay and/or return some grants for allocation at later dates. Given restrictions under Covid, this is a HUGE relief and buys time for us to do these types of activities.
- One of the key recommendations regarding some Covid funds was to work with Placer County on a cooperation agreement. Many of the allowable uses for the funds relate to community services, non-profits and County based programs. There is a real opportunity for a "win/win" for these funds to benefit the City and County areas.

Finally, the Auburn Police Department recognized Detective Angela McCollough as this years "Officer of the Year." An important recognition for a deserving member of the Auburn PD.



The recognition focused on Detective McCollough's leadership and dedication to her position. At the outset of Covid, she became the Officer In Charge for the Investigative Division, keeping cases and investigation moving. She shifted to a dual role in support of the Patrol Division's Quick Response Force. She was the lead in two key cases involving a homicide and an accidental shooting involving a juvenile. She was the lead on multiple cases involving sexual assault.

She was also recognized for her compassion and care to the families of victims. In his statement, Chief Ryan Kinnan described her as a "model employee with a strong and dedicated work ethic." Without question, she helps set the tone for her fellow officers and strives to be the really good example!

Organization strive to be the best! That involves commitment, leadership and the ability to represent the group in a manner which brings the respect and integrity to all members of the team. Andrea has clearly demonstrated that she is amongst the best in our organization. Congratulations!

Have a nice weekend.

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